

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the applications:

**Listing of Claims:**

26. (currently amended) A device for holding a reel and reel seat assembly on a fisherman garment comprising

a waist holder adapted to be mounted to said fisherman garment; and

a reel seat holding device mounted to said waist holder and adapted for releasably holding said reel and reel seat assembly;

wherein

~~a a waist holder and means for mounting said reel seat holding device on said waist holder; and~~

~~b means for mounting said waist holder on said garment;~~

~~said reel seat holding device comprising a case adapted for releasably receiving a reel seat therein when said reel and reel seat assembly is detached from a fly fishing rod; said waist holder comprising includes~~

~~i. — a holder base adapted to be removably engageable over mount said reel seat holding device;~~

~~ii. — means adapted to removably engage said holder base on said fisherman garment; and,~~

~~iii. — means adapted to fixedly engage said reel seat holding device.~~

27. (currently amended) A device according to claim 0, wherein said ~~case reel and reel seat assembly comprises~~ is a hollow cylinder having a close proximal end and an open distal end, said case comprising at least one insertion opening in the lateral side of said hollow cylinder, said insertion opening having a longitudinal portion followed by a transversal portion, said longitudinal and transversal portions being respectively

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contiguous and not contiguous to said open distal end so that, when sliding said reel and reel seat assembly inside said hollow cylinder, a mounting foot of said assembly advances through said longitudinal portion until reaching said transversal portion wherein said reel seat is rotated to cause said mounting foot to engage said transversal portion thereby locking said reel and reel seat assembly to said reel seat holding device.

28. (original) A reel seat holding device according to claim 27 wherein said hollow cylinder is made of plastic or metal.

29. (original) A reel seat holding device according to claim 27 comprising a resilient means disposed inside said hollow cylinder at said close proximal end, said resilient means being compressed when inserting said reel and reel seat assembly inside said reel seat holding device.

30. (original) A reel seat holding device according to claim 29 wherein said resilient means is a coil spring.

31. (original) A reel seat holding device according to claim 27 wherein the part of said transversal portion close to said open distal end is not contiguous to said longitudinal portion, creating a hook shape.

32. (original) A device according to claim 0 wherein said holder base is made of plastic or wood.

33. (original) A device according to claim 0 wherein ~~the inner surface of said holder base~~ comprises an inner surface having a concave shape, said concave shape being similar to the curvature of a fisherman's waist.

34. (original) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 0 wherein said waist holder comprises an outer surface adapted to mount said reel seat holding device ~~thereto is mounted on the outer surface of said waist holder.~~

35. (currently amended) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 3427 wherein said reel seat holding device is mounted in a semi-circular groove running across said outer surface of said holder base.

36. (original) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 35 which comprises a depression in said holder base outer surface below said semi-

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circular groove, said reel and reel seat assembly received in said depression when said reel and reel seat assembly is mounted in said reel seat holding device.

37. (currently amended) A device according to claim 0, wherein ~~said means defined in (ii)~~holder base comprises an inferior surface having a slot running therealong inferior surface of said holder base, said slot permitting to removably engage said holder base on said fisherman garment.

38. (currently amended) A device according to claim 37, wherein ~~said means defined in (e)~~waist holder further comprises a mounting band fixed to said garment, said slot engaging said band for mounting said holder base on said fisherman garment, said band being longer than said holder base.

39. (original) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 38 wherein said band is a belt.

40. (original) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 38 wherein said mounting band is a rigid band mounted on a cloth-type vest, said rigid band having a similar curvature as said slot.

41. (original) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 40 wherein said cloth-type vest is a life-jacket.

42. (original) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 40 wherein said band mounted on said cloth-type vest is made of plastic or metal.

43. (currently amended) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 0 wherein ~~said mounting means defined in (b) comprise bolts and nuts~~waist holder is mounted to said garment with fasteners.

44. (original) A device for holding a reel seat holding device according to claim 0 wherein a line positioning means is provided on said reel seat holding device for aligning a fishing line.